

FISCAL NOTE

HB 3034 - SB 3106

February 29, 2000

SUMMARY OF BILL:

1. Makes numerous changes related to determination of paternity, child support payments and collection and enforcement of child support by the Department of Human Services.
2. Allows computer records to be used as evidence in some hearings.
3. Clarifies the law on determination of paternity by genetic testing and the waiver of parental rights.
4. Increases the number of child support cases that will be part of the DHS Central Collection system that are now processed by local court clerks.
5. Clarifies the law on health care coverage in child support cases and enforcement when cases are from out of state.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$1,194,300 Recurring
\$1,829,700 One-Time

Increase State Revenues - \$3,024,000

Decrease Local Govt Revenues - \$3,024,000

Other Fiscal Impact - Increase Federal Expenditures - \$3,498,000 - One-Time

Assumes:

- A one-time cost to be shared by the state and federal government for converting 18,000 cases to the central child support collections unit. Expenditures include contractor charges, computer equipment and system modifications.
- A need for 5 positions in the Department of Human Services to accomplish the requirements contained in the bill.
- A decrease in local revenues from the five percent fee currently collected by local county court clerks for processing certain child support payments that will now be collected by the Department of Human Services.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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